

SPAR, DECK AND DOCK

Columbia Comes in From San Francisco.

KOTAHIRA MARU FOR JAPAN

W. S. Porter Sails for the Bay City—Antelope Reported Off the Bar Last Evening—Dora Bluhm Crosses Out—Odd Notes.

The steamship Columbia came in from San Francisco yesterday afternoon with a good list of people in her cabins and a fair cargo of freight. The saloon waiters went off on a strike at the moment of her scheduled departure out of that port on Monday last, and Captain Doran after a reasonable parley with the outfit, fired the last man of them and shipped a new crew at the current wage. She lost 24 hours by reason of the strike.

The fine Japanese steamship Kotahira Maru, came down the river yesterday morning, loaded to her Plimsoll marks with grain and breadstuffs, for China and Japan. She went to sea during the afternoon under the pilotage of Captain Staples.

The fine oil tanker W. S. Porter came down from Portland yesterday and went directly to sea and the Bay City.

Oil Barge No. 91, which has been lying here for orders for several days went up the river under tow to Portland, yesterday morning.

The barkentine Makewell went up to the metropolis on the Oklahama yesterday morning.

The Antelope is reported off the heads and will probably cross in some time today.

The schooner Dora Bluhm crossed out for San Francisco yesterday afternoon.

The steamer Volga is again on duty and her northshore run, her new boilers working like a charm. She has been under repairs for about three weeks.

The steamer Jim Butler came down the river early yesterday morning and was the first bottom to go over the bar, San Francisco bound yesterday.

The oil tanker Asuncion came in from Seattle yesterday forenoon, and went to anchor in the city channel. She was flying light.

GRAY'S RIVER DAMES.

Musical Soiree On March Second for Ail Society.

There will be a very pleasant entertainment given by the Ladies' Ail Society, of Gray's River, on the evening of Saturday, March 2nd, at which

the following splendid program will be rendered. It is said a large crowd intends going over from this city.

PROGRAM.

Instrumental Trio, "Sacred Songs," Hilton, Rr. and Mrs. R. J. Greene and F. C. Badger.

"Just for Fun" Messrs. Fowler and Rice.

Solo—"I'm Thinking of the Golden Past" Lucas, Mrs. R. S. Barr.

Recitation Selected, Mrs. P. J. Brix.

Male Quartet—Juanita Parks, Messrs. Worrel, May Barr and Laughlin.

Pickaminy Solo, "My Dear Jerushy" Gaynor, Miss Bessie Oleson.

Recitation Selected, E. Rice.

Solo, "Massa's Run Away" Mr. R. S. Barr.

Pantomime

"The Bachelor of St. Ives lived all by himself. And all the bread and cheese he had he put upon the shelf; But the rats and the mice Led him such a life. He went to London to buy him a wife.

The roads were so rough and the streets were so narrow, He had to take his wife home upon a wheelbarrow."

Solo, with Guitar Accompaniment, "A Tear Stained Message," Miss Julia Brim.

Recitation "Naughty Zell," Mrs. W. N. Meserve.

Duet Selected, Mesdames Brix and Dark.

Tableau, "Nearer My God to Thee."

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A GOOD SHOWING.

SALT LAKE, UTAH, Feb. 1, 1907.
M. T. Bronson, Special Agent,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:—It affords me great pleasure to inform you that the Board of Directors of the WESTERN LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY have just declared a dividend of 6 1-2 percent for the 6 months ending December, 31, 1906 which is the highest percentage declared in the history of the company.

We have also increased our assets, during the year 1906 \$100,000.00 which certainly must be a most gratifying result to our stockholders. With such a record there ought to be no trouble in convincing the people in general that the WESTERN LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY is looking to the interest of its stockholders and that it is also as safe as any banking institution which is certified to by the Bank Examiners of the State of Utah and Montana, and found on our statement just published, I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

P. W. MADSEN, President.

A. R. Cyrus, local agent.

BOMB CREATES PANIC.

MADRID, Feb. 28.—A bomb exploded during church service today. A great panic seized the audience and ten were seriously injured in the rush to leave the building.

The salve that acts like a poultice is Pine Salve Carbollized. No other salve so good for cuts, burns, boils and chapped skin. Ask about it. Price 25 cts. Frank Hart's Drug Store.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—A long and spirited contest to secure cheaper water rates for San Francisco culminated tonight in the board of supervisors declaring the franchises and works of the Spring Valley Co., worth between \$27,000,000 and \$30,000,000, forfeited and escheated to the county and city of San Francisco for the public use and benefit.

Legal action will have to be taken before the plant can be actually taken from the possession of the company, and the move tonight is in effect a declaration of intention to institute a legal action to deprive the company of its property.

At the hearing of the board of supervisors the officials of the company testified it was still charging its patrons under the schedule of 1902 which is 25 percent higher than that established by the supervisors for 1903.

FRIEND TO FRANCE.

America Stood by Her When All Others Failed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—A Paris special to the Times says that some surprising statements in regard to the recent Algerian crisis and the course taken with respect to it by President Roosevelt and others will be made in next Friday's issue of the *Boulevard des Deux Mondes* by Andrew Jardieu, foreign editor of the *Temps*.

M. Jardieu deals with the period between January 26 and February 19, 1906, when the representatives of France and Germany at Algiers found it more and more impossible to come to terms. Count Witte showed France proof of his conciliatory spirit by accepting the solution offered by her. The Emperor positively refused. At the same time President Roosevelt's energetic efforts were equally unavailing.

M. Jardieu says Emperor William himself telegraphed to President Roosevelt to assure him that the Austrian scheme was regarded as excellent at Algiers, that it was approved by England, Russia, and Japan, and that it was the duty of the United States to urge France to accept it. In a second telegram Emperor William denounced the French colonial ambitions and appetites.

Finally he sent a third telegram affirming explicitly that Russia, Italy, England and Spain has abandoned France, and that the United States alone supported her. The Emperor said that the interests of peace required that the United States accept the American scheme and force French consent.

According to M. Jardieu's story, President Roosevelt in reply to the Emperor's three telegrams, sent three categorical refusals to accept his views. The President not only declared the Austrian scheme unacceptable, but affirmed that if the Monroe Doctrine had not prevented his intervention he would have actively combatted the scheme as being the beginning of the division of Morocco by means of spheres of influence.

Mr. Roosevelt, moreover, reminded the Emperor that he must stick to his own project. He added that France had made a great concession in accepting the inspection and that it now behooved Germany to recognize it.

The final compromise agreement reached at Algiers was proposed by Austria. It was a very different proposition from the first plan suggested by the Austrian delegates, and though it was introduced by them it was generally understood that it originated with Ambassador White, one of the American delegates. It is the first Austrian plan that is referred to in the Paris dispatch.

JIMMY PERRY DEFEATED.

PUEBLO, Feb. 28.—Harry Lewis of Philadelphia won from Jimmy Perry of Chicago tonight. Perry's seconds threw up the sponge at the beginning of the sixth round.

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HOTEL NOT CERTAIN AS YET

ATTORNEY HENRY WAGNER OF THE WEINHARD ESTATE TRUSTEESHIP, DENIES ALL KNOWLEDGE OR PURPOSE OF KIND.

The *Morning Astorian* was so pleased yesterday, with the rumor of the purchase of the big lot at Twelfth and Duane streets by the Trustees of the Weinhard Estate, at Portland, for the alleged purpose of building a modern and beautiful hotel thereon, that it went to the trouble yesterday to get Henry Wagner, the attorney of the big trusteeship on the telephone wire for the purpose of confirmation, and was gravely disappointed when that gentleman, without any circumlocution whatever, denied the story, in toto.

Mr. Wagner said the Weinhard people owned enough real estate in Astoria if it wanted to build a hotel, but that so far as he knew, there was no such purpose in the minds of the trustees; that he knew absolutely nothing about any such deal or any such purpose. This information was duplicated by the statement, to the same effect, given at this office yesterday afternoon by E. M. Baker, who, by telephone, a few hours earlier in the day, had submitted a proposition to sell the trustees the Star Theatre corner in this city for hotel purposes, backing his tender with the offer to put that property in the deal at a very reasonable figure if the Estate people would guarantee him that a \$50,000 hotel would be built and safely managed, and yield a element of profit.

Mr. Baker was treated to a very blunt denial of the purposes of the estate trustees to engage in such enterprises by this same attorney for the syndicated estate; and later he was given the assurance by one of the owners of the lot in question, that Mr. Staples has bought the property, paying \$500 down on the purchase price, but that nothing in the nature of an assurance nor anything else of a binding nature as to the building of a hotel had been mentioned in the negotiations so far.

Thus the matter stands, with Mr. Staples simply the negotiating buyer of the handsome property adjoining his own lot, on the north, and the matter of a new hotel for the city is quite as much a problem as it has been for more time than one likes to calculate.

FEW HONEST FIGHTS.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 28.—The Senate today killed Hartman's anti-prize fight bill by a vote of 26 to 11. Senator Wolf of San Francisco and McCarty of Los Angeles opposed the bill, asserting that they believed public opinion was in favor of the sport. Hartman declared that there were no square fights in the present day. He said there is a fight trust in San Francisco which decides several days before the fight took place who will be winner, and contended fights as managed are framed up with the sole purpose of gulling the public.

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